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TO: Wisconsin Municipal Clerks

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Wisconsin County Clerks

Milwaukee County Election Commission

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SUBJECT: Elections Administration Training webinar series schedule

(October 2013 – March 2014)

In 2012, in an effort to serve our election partners more effectively, the Government Accountability Board launched the "Back to Basics" Elections Administration Training webinar series in lieu of WisLine program teleconferences. Webinar training has generated a positive response from county and municipal clerks and their election inspectors.

The next in the series, "Building on the Basics," will continue our efforts to provide clerks and election inspectors with the timely information and election law updates you need to perform your job duties effectively. We are also developing a webinar training series that focuses on the Statewide Voter Registration System.

The programs and materials are free for you to download from our website for your own education and for training your election inspectors. Materials may also be ordered for a small fee to cover printing and postage costs using the order form found on our website: http://gab.wi.gov/node/2622.

Webinar access information and related materials will be posted under "Recent Clerk Communications" on the Monday prior to each webinar. You must be able to view videos on your computer, using a media application such as Windows Media Player and will be connected to audio using your computer's speakers. The webinar recording, related materials and a list of frequently asked questions will be posted shortly after the webcast.

The live or recorded webinars count toward the hours clerks and chief inspectors need for recertification. The webinars will include, but are not necessarily limited to, the topics listed below their titles.

Elections Administration Training Webinar Series"Building on the Basics"

School District Clerk Training

October 2, 2013, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Notices
Candidates and Other Registrants
Campaign Finance Reporting
Ballots
Referenda Questions
Polling Places and Accessibility
Post-Election Activities
Special School District Elections

Closing out 2013 – What Clerks Need to Know

October 16, 2013, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Calendar of Election and Campaign Events
Publishing Notices for the Spring Election
Appointing Local Election Officials for 2014-2015
Training Requirements
Nomination Papers
Caucus Procedures for Towns and Villages
Notification of Noncandidacy
Record Retention
Campaign Finance Information

MyVote Wisconsin

November 13, 2013, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Key Terms Military and Overseas Absentee Voters Accessing the Website Where Does MyVote Get its Information? SVRS and CRM ElectionData Website

What's New for the 2014 Elections?

December 11, 2013, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Legislative Updates
Status of Voter Photo ID
GAB-190 Election Data Reporting
New Procedures and Policies
Accessibility at the Polls
Lessons Learned in 2013

The ABCs of Absentee Voting

January 15, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Categories of Absentee Electors
Deadlines for Absentee Voting
Nursing Home Voting Procedures
Absentee Ballot Log
Processing Late-Arriving Absentee Ballots

Election Day Duties: Special Topics and Situations

January 29, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Election Observers
Absentee Ballot Log
Issuing a Provisional Ballot
Challenging Voters
Assisting Voters
Curbside Voting
What do I do if...?

Election Day Duties: Demonstrations!

March 5, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Polling Place Set-Up
Opening the Polls
Completing GAB-104 and other Forms
Registration/Voting Process
Closing the Polls
Post-Election Checklist

Preparing for the April Election

March 12, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
GAB-190 Election Data Reporting
Absentee Voting
Election Day Issues
Remaking/Write-in Ballots
Municipal Board of Canvass
Processing Late-Arriving Ballots

We will continue to explore education, training and outreach modalities that are effective, can be delivered at a reduced cost and will provide uniform instruction and training across the state. Please send any questions or comments you have to Allison Coakley: allison.coakley@wi.gov or (608) 261-2033.

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